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Fifty-second Annual Report.

In conformity with the requirements of the Constitution, the Board of Directors have the honor to submit to the members of the Association its Fifty-second Annual Report.

I.—BUILDING.

During the past year no improvements have been made in the exterior appearance of the building, and but very few changes in the interior arrangements. The necessity for more shelf-room for our books has been to some extent relieved by the construction of forms in two of the alcoves, which are now filled, and contain over 2,500 volumes. Notwithstanding this improvement, the shelving is totally inadequate for our present needs, to say nothing of our future requirements; and it has become a most serious question how we are to provide room for the constantly increasing number of our books. Your Board, in common with that of its predecessors, is unanimously of the opinion that the only correct solution of this problem is a new and more spacious Fire-Proof Building, further up town—one that will reflect credit upon the Association and be an ornament to the city.

The Trustees of Clinton Hall, aware of the insecurity of our building in case of fire, have provided six Babcock Fire Extinguishers, which have been distributed throughout the building, where they may be most available when required.

II.—MANAGEMENT.

1. EXECUTIVE FORCE.

The total number of persons in the employ of the Library is 20. And when it is considered how great is the amount of labor performed in delivering and receiving books over our counters, as well as those handled in the Cataloguing and Repairing Rooms, and the numerous accounts kept, both of subscriptions and of books loaned, this force is certainly very limited. It is extremely doubtful if in any other Library in this country is so great an amount of work performed by so small a number of persons.

Your Board take this occasion to say that the various duties of its several employees have been performed with cheerfulness, efficiency, and integrity in every department. Mr. Albert M. Palmer, who for several years filled the position of Librarian with great ability, resigned last July, to accept of a more lucrative position, and your Board appointed Mr. George J. Schermerhorn to fill this vacancy. Mr. J. C. Trimble, our Cashier, left us early last year, and Mr. F. G. Bourne was appointed to that position. These are the only changes which have taken place in our force worthy of mention.

The number of days on which the Library has been open for use during the year is 308, being every day in the year except Sundays and legal holidays. The Reading-Room has been open every day except from June 3d to July 14th, during which time it was closed for repairs, further mention of which will be found under the appropriate head. Under the advice of your Board, the Reading-Room was kept open on Christmas Day and Washington's Birthday; the number of persons using the room on the former day was 69, and on the latter, 500. In conformity with the resolutions of the Trustees of Clinton Hall, passed April 30, 1872, and the directions given by your Board, the Reading-Room has been open between the hours of 1 and 9 o'clock P. M. every Sunday since the 12th of May of last year, except during the period before mentioned when repairs were being made. The largest attendance upon any Sunday was the 12th May, 1872, 149, and the smallest September 8th, 47. The average attendance has been nearly 78—certainly a very small number when

compared with the average attendance of week days, and a much smaller number than it was thought would avail themselves of the privileges it affords.

2. LIBERTY STREET AND YORKVILLE BRANCHES.

The business of these branches has been extremely prosperous during the past year. The books belonging to them are being changed from time to time, thus affording the members using these branches all the advantages of the main Library. The average number of daily visits to the Liberty-Street Branch has been about 400, and the total number of volumes circulated has been 51,378.

3. OTHER BRANCHES.

During the past year the policy of your Board, in the establishment of out-of-town branches, has undergone an entire change. The numerous complaints from members of these branches, in reference to the management of them by agents which were not directly under the supervision and control of your Board, the consequent falling off in their membership, and their constantly increasing expenses, besides our inability to furnish them with all the latest publications, and at the same time satisfy the demand for these books from our home members, have induced your Board to close all the out-of-town branches except the one at Norwalk, which has been the largest and most prosperous. The fact that these branches, when first established, produced a handsome income to the Association, was the strongest argument in their favor. Now that they have ceased to be a source of profit, your Board do not feel justified in continuing them, except in the one instance of Norwalk, mentioned above.

4. BOOK DELIVERY.

This department of our Library still continues to be very popular with many of our members, who avail themselves of this method only for obtaining books. During the year the horse, which has been in service for the past three years, and which was nearly worn out, was disposed of for $75, and a new one purchased at an expense of $215; about the same time the old delivery wagon was sold to the highest bidder for $25, and a new

one made to order at a cost of $325. The new establishment now presents a handsome and creditable appearance, and is a continual advertisement of the Association in the streets of our city. The number of books delivered at the residences of members during the past year was 12,306.

5. CLASSES.

The classes organized during the year were as follows:

French, taught by Prof. De L'Ouest.....	54	pupils.
Spanish, taught by Prof. DeTornos.....	5	"
German, taught by Prof. Heinmuller.....	12	"
Phonography, taught by Mrs. Eliza B. Burns	33	"
Elocution, taught by Prof. H. A. Littell...	2	"
Total.....	106	"

Aggregate receipts.....	$607 00
Aggregate expenditures.....	482 50
Balance.....	$124 50

Showing an increase in net receipts over last year of $19.50, all of which has been expended for books.

6. READING-ROOM.

In accordance with arrangements made with the Trustees of Clinton Hall last year, this room has been most thoroughly painted and repaired, furnished with new matting for the floors, and now presents a truly comfortable and neat appearance. In addition to these improvements, your Board have removed the Argand burners and shades, and placed in their stead the Brönner patent burner and German globe, which thus far affords general satisfaction to the members using the Reading-Room, besides effecting a saving of twenty to thirty per cent. in our gas-bills.

Your Board have also adopted for general use in this room a new and improved style of newspaper file, invented by Mr. George Coope, our First Assistant Librarian, and which is believed to be superior to any heretofore in use. From the many highly complimentary remarks made in reference to our Reading-Room, your

Board have every reason to feel proud of the same, and flatter themselves that in all its appointments it is excelled by none and equaled by few, if any, of the libraries of America. The number of newspapers now kept regularly on file in this room is 251, and of magazines, 211. The average number of daily visitors is about 550.

7. BINDERY.

This department, which was established two years ago, continues to work satisfactorily and economically. During the year there have passed through the hands of the binder and his assistants 7,990 volumes, of which 3,492 were books bought in paper covers and newly bound. The balance, 4,498 volumes, were old books repaired and rebound. Besides these, 97,013 volumes have been furnished with new paper covers.

The cost of binding and repairing 7,990 volumes, at the prices formerly paid by the Association to outside binderies, would be	$3,023 01
The total cost of running our bindery for the year, including stock and interest on machinery and tools, has been	2,298 85
Showing an actual saving to the Association of	$724 06

8. MAGAZINE DEPARTMENT.

This department, through which are loaned to our members the monthly and quarterly magazines and reviews, still maintains its popularity. Every effort has been made to increase its usefulness, and it is believed that in our list is embraced nearly every popular publication of this kind issued in America or England. The total number issued during the year has been 7,640.

III.—BOOKS.

1. EXTENT OF THE LIBRARY.

The number of volumes, exclusive of pamphlets, now in the Library is 143,273, an increase during the year of 6,070 volumes. We have sold during the year 849 volumes, so that the gross total

of our accessions has been 6,919 volumes. Of these 6,381 were acquired by purchase, and 538 by donation. Of the volumes purchased, 4,094 were paid for by the funds of the Library, and 2,287 by the funds of Clinton Hall Association.

2. DUPLICATE BOOKS.

In consequence of the discontinuance of our Out-of-town Branches, the number of volumes in this department has been considerably increased, making it necessary to print a new catalogue, which has just been issued, giving the number of copies of each book for sale, with the prices affixed. During the year 491 volumes have been sold, and the amount received from such sales was $291.11.

3. DONATIONS.

From the many warm friends of the Association we have to acknowledge the receipt of numerous books and pamphlets, of which a list will be found in the Appendix. Among those who have thus favored us, special mention should be made of the editors of the New York *Herald*, *Staats Zeitung*, *Times*, *Tribune*, *World*, *Harpers' Weekly*, and the *Daily Graphic*, for copies of their respective papers sent us for binding. We also desire to return our thanks to the heads of the various Departments of the Government, for valuable public documents.

IV.—CIRCULATION.

The circulation of our books falls slightly below that of last year. This decrease is owing mainly to the discontinuance of so many of our Out-of-town Branches, and, to a certain extent, to the depression which has prevailed in business and financial circles during the year.

The total number of volumes issued was 239,533, of which 163,696 were delivered at the main Library; 51,378 at the Liberty street or Down-town Branch; 12,153 at the various Out-of-town offices; and 12,306 at the residences of members. The daily average circulation was 780 volumes. The largest daily circulation was on the 25th day of January last, when 1,647 volumes

were delivered. The smallest daily circulation was 502, on the 22d of August last. The circulation of books in foreign languages continues to increase, 17,155 of these having been given out during the year just ended, as against 16,149 the previous year.

V.—CATALOGUE.

The second supplement has been issued, and contains some advantages over the first. Our catalogue, as a whole, is not so conveniently arranged as it should be, its classification being quite difficult to understand until explained to those examining it. The plan of using one alphabet instead of two, for cataloguing, is being generally used in all the libraries throughout the country, and should be adopted by us whenever it is determined to issue a new one.

The following table shows the present condition of the stock of catalogues:

Catalogues on hand May 1st, 1872,		165
Sold during the year,	0	
Used in Library and given away,	25	
		25
Number on hand May 1st, 1873,		140
In sheets,	140	
Bound,	0	
		140
Supplementary Catalogue (printed December, 1869), on hand May 1st, 1872,		965
Sold during year,	14	
Used in library and given away,	48	
		62
		903
In sheets,	897	
Bound,	6	
		903
Supplementary Catalogue (printed April, 1872), on hand August 1st, 1872,		2,000

Sold during year, ...	154	
Used in Library and given away, ...	272	
		426
		1,574
In sheets.	977	
Bound, ...	597	
		1,574

VI.—MEMBERSHIP.

1. IN GENERAL.

The membership of the Association is fully set forth in the following table:

Active members on 30th April, 1872, . .	6,080		
Subscribing members on 30th April, 1872, .	4,333		
			10,413
Withdrawn, at $4, . .	132		
" " $5, . .	80		
		212	
Accounts closed by Constitution at $4, .	1,374		
" " " " $5,	1,034		
		2,408	
Since added, at $4, ...	970		
" " " $5, ...	1,034		
		2,004	
Decrease during the year, ...			616
Active members on the 30th April, 1873, .	5,544		
Subscribing members on 30th April, 1873, .	4,253		
			9,797
Honorary members on 30th April, 1872, .	98		
Since deceased, . . .	6		
Elected this year, . . .	2		
Honorary members on 30th April, 1873, .			94
Editors using Library and Reading-Room,			84
Clinton Hall Stockholders, ...			1,762
Total number of persons entitled to use the Library and Reading-Room, May 1st, 1873.			11,737

It will be seen, by the foregoing statement, that the total decrease in our membership, as compared with a year ago, is a

fraction over 600. This decrease has been accounted for, as has been mentioned in another part of this Report, by the closing of most of the Out-of-town Branches, and the general depression which has prevailed in financial and commercial circles during the year that has passed.

2. HONORARY MEMBERS.

It is our sad duty to announce that during the past year, the Association has lost an unusually large number of its Honorary Members, among whom were some of its most distinguished and substantial benefactors. The list embraces Francis Lieber, LL.D., who has been a generous contributor to the Association; Hon. Horace Greeley; John Torrey, LL.D.; Hon. J. Romeyn Broadhead, the Hon. James Brooks, and Thomas Hall Faile, a Trustee of Clinton Hall Association since the year 1846—one of its most useful, active, and honorable members, and one to whom this Library is perhaps more indebted than to any other friend it had in later years, for the able and successful efforts he made to obtain subscriptions to free our building from debt, besides being a most generous contributor to the same object himself. Your Board adopted the following resolutions of respect to his memory:

At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mercantile Library Association, held February 3, 1873, the following action was taken with reference to the death of Mr. Thomas Hall Faile:

"Since the last meeting of this Board, intelligence has been received of the decease of Thomas Hall Faile, Esq., which sad event occurred at Nice, France, on the 13th of January last.

"Connected with the Clinton Hall Association, as a trustee, since the year 1846, Mr. Faile was ever zealous to promote the interests of our institution. His interest in the library was peculiarly conspicuous in the last successful effort to remove the debt on the library building, and to him we are largely indebted for the success attending that effort; nor did his interest cease with the attainment of that important result. Having in mind the necessity of a more commodious and secure building for the uses of the library, it was a wish he fondly cherished to see such a building erected.

"We gratefully acknowledge what he was permitted to accomplish, and desire to express our profound sorrow, and a deep sense of the loss this library has sustained in his death.

"It is with peculiar satisfaction that we call to remembrance the wisdom of his counsel, and the many virtues which adorned his manhood. Affable and pleasant in manner, urbane in deportment, warm and sincere in friendship, these were the characteristics which impressed those with whom he came in contact.

"In thus recording our appreciation of his character, and our sorrow at the loss sustained, we are impressed with the thought that an inscrutable Providence, which has removed Mr. Faile from our midst, warns us that our efforts should be unceasing in the discharge of duty, with a deep sense of our accountability in view of the privileges we enjoy.

"*Resolved*, That a copy of the above, signed by the President and Secretary, be sent to the family of the deceased.

"PETER VOORHIS, *President.*

"WM. H. GUION, JR., *Secretary, pro tem.*"

Which were published in the daily papers, and a copy of the same, signed by the President and Secretary, sent to the family of the deceased. During the year there have been elected, by the unanimous vote of your Board, two honorary members of the Association, Messrs. Benjamin H. Field and William H. Guion, both eminent types of the merchant princes of New York, a class to whom this Association has never appealed for aid without a most generous response.

VII.—FINANCES.

The total income of the Association for the year was $38,869.46. The total expenditures for the same period have been $38 278.15, of which $32,246.89 was used for salaries, rent, fixtures, printing, stationery, gas, insurance, and running expenses, and the balance, $6,031.26, for books and periodicals. The amount of $391.19, which this Association had on deposit in the Stuyvesant Bank at the time of its failure, more than a year ago, has not as yet been recovered, and it is extremely doubtful whether we shall realize more than a small percentage of the same, when its affairs are finally adjusted by the receiver appointed by the Courts.

VIII.—BOARD OF DIRECTION.

On the 8th day of July, Mr. Charles H. Wilson resigned the Presidency of the Board of Direction, and Mr. Peter Voorhis was elected to fill the vacancy. On the 13th of November, Mr. Henry D. Lloyd resigned the position of Recording Secretary, and Mr. Wm. Curtis Noyes was elected in his stead. On the 27th of November, Mr. George C. Clarke resigned the position of Director, and Mr. Alex. M. Eagleson was elected to fill the vacancy. On the same date Mr. J. C. Currie resigned the position of Director, and Mr. Charles S. Arthur, Secretary of the Third Avenue Railroad Company, was elected in his stead.

IN MEMORIAM.

The institution has recently been called upon to mourn the loss of two of its most useful and gifted members. Charles E. King Sherman, for many years connected with the Bank of Commerce of this city—an honored ex-president of your Association—died at Naples, Italy, on the 16th February, 1873, whither he had gone to restore his impaired health.

Thomas J. Maguire, a Director from 1864 to 1865, and for seventeen years connected with the house of Lanman & Kemp, of this city, died on the 25th March, this year.

Both of these deceased gentlemen took an active part in advancing the prosperity of your Association. Appropriate resolutions of respect to their memories were adopted by your Board, entered at length upon the minutes of the Association, and copies of the same forwarded to the families of the deceased.

IX.—LECTURES.

Unusual efforts were made by your Board to present to the members of the Association, and the public, an array of platform speakers during the past fall and winter, and they flatter themselves that no more brilliant list of lecturers ever appeared in this city, under the auspices of this or any similar association.

The list is as follows:

At Steinway Hall.

Nov. 18. George Macdonald, on "*Thomas Hood.*"
" 25. Mrs. Scott Siddons, "Readings, in costume."

Dec. 2. Miss Lillian Edgarton, "*Gossip: Its Cause and Cure.*"
" 9. Edmund Yates, "*The English Parliament.*"
" 16. Professor J. H. Pepper, "*Fire and Water.*"
(Illustrated by experiments.)
" 30. Bret Harte, "*The Argonauts of* '49."
Jan'y 6. Wendell Phillips, "*Daniel O'Connell.*"
" 13. Colonel John Hay, "*Heroic Life in Washington.*"
" 20. Henry Ward Beecher,
"*The Unconscious Influence of Democratic Principles.*"
" 27. Sidney Wollett, "Miscellaneous Readings and Recitations."
February 5th and 10th, Mark Twain, "*Sandwich Islands,*" and the last and concluding lecture, at the Academy of Music, April 24th, by John B. Gough, subject: "*Will it pay?*"

These entertainments were unusually well patronized, both of Mark Twain's lectures, as was the case last year, attracting the largest audiences. The net proceeds of these lectures, $468.17, were placed in the Treasury of the Association and expended in the purchase of books.

X.—FREE SCHOLARSHIPS.

During the year your Board have filled the vacant Scholarship belonging to this Association in Columbia College, by conferring the same upon Mr. Thomas S. Ormiston (a son of the distinguished divine, the Rev. Wm. Ormiston, D.D., of the Collegiate Reformed Church of this city), a young man of high moral and intellectual standing, whose collegiate attainments will doubtless reflect honor upon the Association and credit to himself. The other scholarship belonging to the Association is filled by Henry Whitney Bates, whose standing in his class is highly creditable.

XI.—CLINTON HALL ASSOCIATION.

To the gentlemen comprising the Board of Trustees of this Association, our thanks are eminently due for the kindness, consideration, and liberality which has marked their course towards your Association and your Board of Direction during the past year. In the death of one of their number, Mr. Thomas Hall

Faile, the Association has lost one of its most active and painstaking members. As will be seen by reference to their Report, they have appropriated, for the purchase of Books, the sum of $8,960.69, the number of volumes added being 2,287, and entirely of a standard character.

XII.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATION OF BOOKS AND OTHER PROPERTY OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The following is the Report of the Committee appointed by your Board to make an examination of our Books and other property, in accordance with Section 20, Article 3, of the Constitution:

To the Board of Direction of the Mercantile Library Association:

GENTLEMEN—Under your appointment, we have made an examination of the Library in its several departments, and have to report thereon:

1st. *The Books* in good order, and well arranged on the shelves.

2d. *The Reading-Room* noticeably neat in all its appointments. Abundantly stocked with the newspapers and magazines of the day, and even more attractive than formerly, by reason of the recent improvement in lighting.

3d. An unmistakable evidence, through all the apartments in use by the Association, of a painstaking care and thorough performance of duty on the part of the clerical force.

The Library, in the opinion of your Committee, has outgrown the building it occupies. The shelves seem to be absolutely filled with books, and we can see no room for any considerable addition in volumes. *Some plan for more room should be adopted at once.* This fact, with that other which is so apparent to every visitor—*the daily risk of fire* and the consequent *incalculable loss*—points to but one conclusion, with the expression of which we close our report. *The Library needs a more spacious and fire-proof building,* and *needs it* NOW. Signed,

M. C. D. BORDEN,
WM. H. WICKHAM,
ALEX. P. FISKE,
JOHN CRERAR,
SAM'L W. HARNED. } *Committee.*

NEW YORK, May 8, 1873.

XIII.—INSTITUTION FOR THE SAVINGS OF MERCHANTS' CLERKS.

The President, Vice-President, and Treasurer of your Board, who are also *ex-officio* members of the Board of Trustees of the above institution, have to report that this institution is managed with marked ability. Its deposits now amount to the sum of $3,461,126.45, and we recommend it with the most perfect confidence to the notice of the young men of our city, although it is not entirely confined to their use.

XIV.—CONCLUSION.

And now, fellow-members, having given an account of our stewardship, let us remind you that the books and other property of your Association, of almost incalculable value, are insured for the sum of $105,000. Think you, in case of the destruction of the building you now occupy, by fire, that this sum would replace the treasures of literature, science, and art now stored within its walls? Most assuredly not. In the language of the Report of the Committee appointed to examine the books and other property of this Association, "What we need is a more spacious and fire-proof building, and we need it now." To quote the language of two of New York's distinguished merchants, the longer this most important matter is delayed, the less number of desirable locations have you to select from. One of these gentlemen stated to the writer that he would be one of a hundred gentlemen to contribute $5,000 each towards creating a fund of half a million dollars in cash, and, with the amount which would be realized from the sale of the property now occupied by us, the matter would become an accomplished fact. The other merchant referred to also indicated his intention of contributing a similar amount, and, if necessary, he would make it $10,000.

That this subject may take some practical and definite shape during the coming year, and that such a building may be erected at no distant day, through the princely munificence of the merchants and others of New York—a structure that will reflect credit and honor upon the Association, and be an architectural ornament to this great and imperial city of the Western World—is the wish of every true friend of the Association. On behalf of the Board,

PETER VOORHIS, *President.*

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Fifty-Second Annual Meeting of the Mercantile Library Association of the City of New York was held in the Leavitt Art Rooms, Clinton Hall, Astor Place, on Tuesday evening, May 13, 1873. The meeting was called to order at eight o'clock by the President, of the Association, Mr. Peter Voorhis, who took the chair.

The minutes of the Fifty-first Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The reports of the President and of the Treasurer of the Clinton Hall Association were read, and, upon motion, were accepted, and ordered to be printed with the Annual Report.

The Treasurer of the Mercantile Library Association, Mr. Wm. H. Guion, Jr., submitted his report for the fiscal year ending April 30th, 1873, which was, upon motion, approved and ordered to be printed with the Annual Report.

The President then read the Fifty-second Annual Report of the Board of Direction.

Mr. Joseph H. Lecour moved that the report be adopted and the usual number of copies be printed for distribution for the use of members. Carried.

Mr. Seymour A. Bunce then offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Association are due and are hereby tendered to the Board of Direction for the able, faithful, and efficient manner with which they have conducted the affairs of the Association during the past year."

As no further business appeared to be before the meeting, a motion to adjourn being seconded, was put and declared lost.

Remarks were then made upon that portion of the President's Annual Report relating to the necessity of a more commodious and fire-proof building, in which the following gentlemen participated: Messrs. Seymour A. Bunce, J. Seaver Page, Charles F. Allen, M. C. D. Borden, Wm. H. Marvine, Joseph H. Lecour, and Wm. F. T. Chapman.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

WM. CURTIS NOYES,

Recording Secretary.

APPENDIXES

TO

ANNUAL REPORT.

1873.

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[APPENDIX I.]

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

CLINTON HALL ASSOCIATION.

To the Board of Directors of the Mercantile Library Association :

I herewith transmit the Annual Statement of the Trustees of the Clinton Hall Association, as taken from the Report of their Treasurer.

EDMUND COFFIN.

RECEIPTS.

May, 1872.	Cash balance, as per last report	$4,508 31	
	Rental for the year 1872	19,000 00	
			$23,508 31
	Disbursements		20,380 84
Cash in bank, May 8th, 1873			$3,127 47
Contingent Fund, May, 1872		$25,000 00	
Appropriation, May, 1873		5,000 00	
			30,000 00
Interest to May, 1872		$2,341 69	
" " 1873		1,968 12	
			4,309 81
			$34,309 81

INSURANCE.

On Building	$150,000 00	
On Books	30,000 00	
		$180,000

The death of Thomas H. Faile, Esq., in France, where he had gone, hoping to restore his health, has deprived the Trustees of his valuable services. Being one of the oldest, he was also one of the most faithful. He was not only vigilant in the discharge of his duties as Trustee of Clinton Hall, but devoted to the best interests of the Mercantile Library. Mr. Faile has left a reputation as a merchant, citizen, and gentleman worthy to be followed by all young men having in view the high position which he occupied.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON G. HUNT,

President.

NEW YORK, May 13, 1873.

[APPENDIX II.]

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

OF THE

MERCANTILE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

William H. Guion, Jr., Treasurer, in account with the Mercantile Library Association of the City of New York, for the year ending April 30, 1873.

RECEIPTS.

To Cash on hand, May 1, 1872	$1,665 24	
Received for Initiation Fees	2,004 00	
Semi-Annual Dues	23,128 10	
Duplicate Accounts	2,085 89	
Loans	4,692 51	
Catalogues	233 00	
Duplicate Books	291 11	
Book Delivery	675 73	
Old Paper	109 71	
Interest	1,260 00	
Clinton Hall Association	1,325 00	
Binding Books of Clinton Hall Association	324 00	
Lectures	468 17	
Classes	607 00	
		$38,869 46

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for Catalogues	$1,545 48	
Books	3,260 46	
Periodicals	2,770 80	
Fixtures	767 00	
Light	2,081 62	
Salaries	14,655 42	
Incidentals	2,843 58	
Down-Town Branch	1,589 14	
Printing	721 25	
Stationery	591 39	
Book Delivery	1,984 26	
Insurance	656 00	
Advertising	93 15	
Classes	482 50	
Permanent Catalogue Fund	753 81	
Binding	2,298 85	
Special Appropriations to Clerks at Christmas	481 00	
Out-of-Town Branches	702 44	
		$38,278 15
Balance on hand, April 30, 1873, in Bank and in Petty Cash		591 31
		$38,869 46

WILLIAM H. GUION, JR.,
Treasurer.

[APPENDIX III.]

ANNUAL ADDITIONS OF

MEMBERS AND BOOKS.

[Expenditures for Books, Total Receipts, etc., from the 9th of November, 1820, to 1st of May, 1873.]

YEARS.	No. of Members who have joined the Library.	No. of Volumes acquired by purchase and donation.	Amount expended for Books and Periodicals.	Amount expended for binding.	Donations received.	Total Receipts.
1820-21	204	1,000	$600 00		$600 00	$900 00
1822	76	250	273 00		150 00	510 00
1823	81	100	150 00		250 00	726 69
1824	77	175	208 00			712 23
1825	257	675	619 00	$73 00	795 00	1,469 00
1826	471	1,000	756 72	190 28	785 75	2,246 42
1827	360	1,200	695 12	31 38		1,750 52
1828	295	1,000	330 27	146 25		1,572 47
1829	414	600	562 30	154 28		1,701 81
1830	486	600	567 91	99 25		1,755 82
1831	507	750	1,177 19	68 44		2,360 71
1832	383	864	1,107 36	197 55		3,033 58
1833	382	1,397	1,303 98	224 20		2,978 98
1834	393	1,090	1,278 20	223 29		2,977 59
1835	680	1,522	2,126 32	238 51		4,333 18
1836	867	1,845	2,286 74	250 70		5,110 80
1837	936	2,547	2,806 47	186 04		6,109 20
1838	1,003	2,471	3,115 72	423 91		7,477 99
1839	1,097	3,583	4,278 23	729 60		8,082 15
1840	501	390	1,995 19	615 42		7,071 17
1841	627	1,136	1,495 12	591 75		6,935 30
1842	308	1,252	2,179 79	670 77		5,567 70
1843	252	465	797 90	536 85		4,355 86
1844	387	745	708 35	271 25		3,959 20
1845	582	1,428	1,628 60	402 65		4,082 04
1846	609	1,883	2,072 59	500 34		5,044 61
1847	687	2,258	3,311 95	549 19		5,902 90
1848	681	2,276	3,392 71	445 52		6,286 21
1849	1,013	2,517	3,531 83	600 35		7,207 06
1850	1,116	1,865	2,608 63	286 72	3,000 00	10,691 95
1851	1,041	2,957	4,050 01	560 84		8,290 00
1852	1,293	4,346	4,786 35	889 67		9,931 72
1853	991	2,900	3,916 54	418 96		8,929 82
1854	1,216	2,409	3,019 07	381 26		9,691 95
1855-56	1,783	3,588	4,477 42	1,475 44		14,223 95
1856-57	1,088	1,521	1,384 21	661 10		10,453 95
1857-58	877	824	1,615 93	581 77		9,182 50
1858-59	969	3,040	3,537 80	521 53		9,509 59
1859-60	1,080	3,183	3,259 52	342 87	10,050 00	20,615 86
1860-61	1,109	2,827	3,141 37	318 62	50 00	11,249 19
1861-62	792	1,322	2,663 41	135 72	400 00	10,276 47
1862-63	803	4,581	3,358 70	817 03		12,711 21
1863-64	1,564	6,047	7,442 80	318 23		17,638 94
1864-65	2,830	7,408	10,420 81	586 60	4,000 00	29,146 81
1865-66	3,321	9,023	11,639 18	582 90	2,000 00	41,761 01
1866-67	2,825	10,090	12,479 11	1,000 45		40,380 36
1867-68	2,689	9,351	11,075 29	660 24	5,000 00	41,722 50
1868-69	2,434	12,024	13,092 98	593 75		38,014 82
1869-70	3,129	13,000	11,894 97	1,577 75		40,468 00
1870-71	2,379	12,210	10,831 01	1,414 70		42,258 81
1871-72	2,511	10,914	10,491 88	2,039 58		44,678 31
1872-73	2,004	6,919	6,031 26	2,298 85		38,869 46
	54,407	169,368	$193,574 81	$26,875 31	$27,080 75	$633,818 27

[APPENDIX IV.]

CIRCULATION.

The following Table shows the number of books delivered annually from the 30th of April, 1859, to the 30th of April, 1873. Prior to the former date there is no accurate record of the circulation of the Library.

YEAR.	Total Issue.	Delivered at Main Library.	Delivered at Down-Town Office.	Delivered at Other Branch Offices.	Delivered at Residences.	No. of Volumes Standard Literature delivered.	No. of Volumes Fiction delivered.	No. of Volumes in Foreign Lang'es delivered.	Daily Average. *The figures in this col. prior to those for '67 are approximate only.*	Largest circulation in one day.	Date of last Column.
1859-60	64,263	46,097	18,166						223		
1860-61	79,773	64,218	15,555						277		
1861-62	92,575	76,827	15,748						322		
1862-63	85,273	70,624	14,649						297		
1863-64	102,049	85,092	16,957						355		
1864-65	189,609	156,437	33,172						661		
1865-66	178,218	154,952	23,266			40,102	134,117	3,936	696		
1866-67	206,120	169,219	36,901			52,830	146,402	6,888	718		
1867-68	203,894	151,588	44,060		8,246	54,137	141,214	8,543	710	1,573	Aug. 10.
1868-69	210,066	156,558	45,080		8,428	52,203	150,916	6,947	742	1,346	Feb. 27.
1869-70	234,120	175,110	47,826		11,184	57,272	169,646	7,202	760	1,832	Feb. 19.
1870-71	269,034	184,780	53,012	19,360	11,882	81,519	172,572	14,943	879	1,727	Mar. 18.
1871-72	259,845	164,253	58,439	24,284	12,869	73,167	170,529	16,149	836	1,772	Jan. 20.
1872-73	239,533	163,696	51,378	12,153	12,306	62,489	159,889	17,155	780	1,647	Jan. 25.

[APPENDIX V.]

BOOK ACCOUNT.

No. of Vols. April 30, 1872			137,203
" " added this year by purchase	6,381		
" " " " donation	538		
		6,919	
French Books added	222		
German "	236		
Other Foreign Books added	8		
English " "	6,453		
		6 919	
Quarto	297		
Octavo	3,193		
Duodecimo	3,429		
		6,919	
On Theology	326		
" Mental and Moral Science	150		
" Political Science	162		
" Literature	1,441		
" History, Geography, and Travel	591		
" Biography	308		
" Mathematics	14		
" Natural Sciences	172		
" Medicine	199		
" Arts	198		
" English Fiction	3,358		
		6,919	
Less surplus Books sold	491		
" Imperfect " "	358		
		849	
			6,070
Total Volumes, April 30, 1873			143,273

[APPENDIX VI.]

EXECUTIVE FORCE.

Librarian,
G. J. SCHERMERHORN.

Asst. Librarian,
GEORGE COOPE.

Cataloguing Assistant,
JOHANNES BADE.

Bookkeeper & Cashier,
FREDERICK G. BOURNE.

Desk Clerks,

J. N. WING, *Chief,*
FRANK POST,
WILLIAM H. ARKILLS,
WILLIAM A. KING,
JAMES H. WOOD, Jr.,
J. J. O'BRIEN.

Reading-Room Attendants,

MRS. J. W. HUBBELL,
MISS L. B. HUBBELL.

Collector,
E. F. OSBORNE.

Book Collector,
EDWARD C. ALLAIRE.

Janitors,

WILLIAM JAMIESON,
HARRY WILSON.

Messenger,
CORNELIUS J. KANE.

Supt. of Down-Town Office,
M. A. OSBORNE.

Binder,
WILLIAM LITTLEFIELD,
MISS LOUISA LITTLEFIELD, MISS ANNIE DUGAN,
WILLIAM TORBOHM, *Assistants.*

Agents in Charge of Out-of-Town Offices.

YORKVILLE, N. Y.....J. H. CHRISTIE.
NORWALK, CONN.....LINUS WEED.

[APPENDIX VII.]

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE

PERMANENT CATALOGUE FUND.

To the Board of Direction :

In accordance with the Articles creating and regulating the Permanent Catalogue Fund, I respectfully submit the following statement of moneys received by me, on account of that Fund, since the date of the last report, May 14, 1872:

Balance on hand at that date	$805 61
Interest accrued	48 46
1873.	
May 8, Received from the Mercantile Library Association, in re-imbursement of money advanced to them	753 81
Balance on hand	$1,607 88

WILLARD L. FELT,

Treasurer Permanent Catalogue Fund.

NEW YORK, May 8, 1873.

[APPENDIX VIII.]

LIST OF DONORS

TO THE

Mercantile Library Association,

1872–73.

DEMILT, MISS ELIZABETH, Interest of Fund	$210
GROSVENOR, SETH, Interest of Fund	700
LORILLARD, PETER, do. do.	350
	$1,260

BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS.

	Vols.	Pam.
Abbott, Benj. V.	1	
Abbott, Rev. Lyman	8	
American Antiquarian Society		2
American Bible Society		1
American Church Missionary Society		1
Am. Colonization Society, Washington, D. C		1
American Home Missionary Society		1
American Institute	1	
American Pharmaceutical Association	1	
Andover Theological Seminary		1
Apprentices' Library		1
Arnold, Dr. J. W. S		1
Association of the Bar of New York		1
Beckwick, Leonard F.	1	
Beebe Town Library of Wakefield		1
Bellevue Hospital Medical College	1	
Bent, Silas, St. Louis, Mo.		1
Bliss, I. L.		1
Borden, T. H.	2	
Boston (City Council of)	1	
Boston Public Library		1
Brace, Chas. L.	1	
Bradlee, Rev. C. D., Boston, Mass.		1

	Vols.	Pam.
Brookline Public Library, Brookline, Mass		1
Brown, Wadsworth & Co.		1
Buffalo Catholic Institute		1
Bullinger, Edwin W.	4	
Bunker Hill Monument Association		1
Burns, Mrs. Eliza B.		1
California (State of), Supt. of Public Instruction	1	
Cameron, Henry C., Princeton, N. J.		1
Chandler, Hon. Zachariah, Washington, D. C.	1	
Charleston Chamber of Commerce		2
Chisolm, Dr. Julian J., Baltimore, Md.		1
Christern, F. W.		4
City Library Association of Springfield, Mass.		1
City Library of Lowell, Mass.		2
Clymer, Dr. Meredith	1	
Cobden Club, London, England	2	7
Collins, Chas.	6	
Colt, Mrs. S. S., Albany, N. Y.	1	
Columbia College.		1
Connecticut State Reform School at West Meriden.		3
Cooper, Peter		1
Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.		3
Cox, Hon. Samuel S.		1
Cronin, David E., Binghampton, N. Y.		1
Cudmore, P.	1	
Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn.		1
De Groot, Albert	1	
Detroit Board of Education		1
Deutsch-Amerikanisches Conversations-Lexicon, Eds. of	8	2
Dodd & Mead	6	
Drew, Allis & Co., Rochester, N. Y.	1	
Dunlop, Augustus P.		1
Ebell & Co.		1
Field, David D.	1	
Friend		1
Free Public Library of Lawrence, Mass.		1
" " " " New Bedford, Conn.		1
" " " " Sydney, N. S. W., Australia	1	1
" " " " Worcester, Mass.		1
Gallaher, Mrs. S. C.	60	
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen.		2
German Friend		1
Gloucester Lyceum and Sawyer Free Library, Gloucester, Mass		1
		1
Guernsey, R. S.		1
Gutmann, Oscar		1
Haines, Samuel B.	2	
Hall, Hon. A. Oakey	2	
Hall, Dr. Wm. W.	2	
Harrison, Joseph G.	2	
Hatfield, Rev. Dr. Edwin F.	3	3
Hawkins, Dexter A.		2
Hayes, John L.		1

	Vols.	Pam.
Hoffman, Hon. John T., Albany	1	
Hollenius, L. J.		2
Holton Library of Brighton, Mass	1	
Hunt, Wilson G		3
James, Geo.	1	
Jay, Hon. John, Vienna, Austria		3
Jones, Geo.	1	
Keetels, Jean G.,Brooklyn, L. I	1	
Kinney, Thos. K.	1	
Kroeger, A. E.	1	
Landreth, David & Sons, Philadelphia		1
Languellier, A. L		1
Lawson, Dr. L. M	1	
Lee, J. W. M., Baltimore, Md	1	
Library Company of Philadelphia		1
Library Committee of Lancaster		1
Lieber, Dr. Francis	5	5
Little, Dr. James L.		1
Liverpool Free Public Library, Liverpool, England	1	
Long Island Bible Society		1
Loubat, Alphonse	1	
Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La		1
McKesson & Robbins	1	
Manchester Public Free Libraries, Manchester, England		1
Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital		1
Mercantile Library Association of Brooklyn, L. I		2
Mercantile Library Company of Philadelphia		1
Minnesota Historical Society, St. Paul, Minn	1	1
Mount Sinai Hospital		1
Nash, H. A.	1	
New England Historic Genealogical Soc., Boston, Mass.		1
New Jersey (State of) Adjutant-General	1	
" " Commissioners of Fisheries		1
New York (City of) Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Works	1	
" " Board of Health	1	
" " Commissioner of Public Works	1	
New York (State of) Chamber of Commerce	1	1
" " Secretary of State	21	
" " State Library	1	1
New York Association for Improving the Poor	4	1
New York City Mission and Tract Society		1
New York Daily Bulletin Association	1	
New York Historical Society	1	
New York Hospital and Bloomingdale Asylum		1
New York Medical College for Women		3
Ohio State Library, Columbus, Ohio	5	3
Olcott, Colonel Henry S.	2	
Old Settlers' Association of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minn		1
Onderdonck, Henry, Jr., Jamaica, L. I.	18	1
Ontario Parliament Library, Toronto, Canada		1
Palmer, C. Albert	1	
Peabody Institute of Baltimore		1

	Vols.	Pam
Peoria Mercantile Library, Peoria, Ill.		1
Percy, Dr. Samuel R	1	
Philadelphia Board of Health		1
Phoenix, S. Whitney	1	
Post, Frank	3	
Prescott, Geo. B		1
Providence Athenæum, Providence, R. I.		1
Public Library of Charleston		2
" " " Cincinnati		2
" " " Newburyport		2
" " " Reading		1
" " " Taunton		1
" " " Waltham		1
Roeder, Henry E		1
Rogers, Dr. Stephen		1
Rowell, Geo. P. & Co.	2	
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association		1
St. Louis Public Schools		1
Santa Clara College, Santa Clara, Cal.		1
Sherman, William A.	5	
Simmonds, John C.		1
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.		4
Society of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, London, England	1	
State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.	1	
Stevens, B. F., London, England		1
Sumner, Chas. A., San Francisco, Cal.		1
Syracuse Board of Education		1
Tauszky, Dr. R.		1
Texas (State of) Attorney-General		1
Thurston, Prof. R. H., Hoboken, N. J.		3
Tilden, S. J.		3
Toner, Dr. J. M., Washington, D. C.		1
Torrey Botanical Club		2
Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.		3
Troy Young Men's Association		1
Turnbull, Miss Charlotte	1	
United States Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army	2	1
" " " " Ordnance	1	
" " Commissioner of Education	1	1
" " " " Patents	19	1
" " Department of Agriculture	1	1
" " " " the Interior	76	
" " Library of Congress	1	
" " Postmaster General	3	1
" " Secretary of State	9	12
" " Superintendent of the Census	2	
" " " U. S. Coast Survey	1	
" " " " U. S. N. Observ'y	4	3
" " Supervising Surgeon, U. S. Marine Hosp.	1	
" " Military Post Library Association		2
University of the City of New York		1
Vaux, Richa[illegible]		1

	Vols.	Pam.
Warren County Library, Monmouth, Ill.		1
Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn.		1
West Side Association		1
Whetton, Wm.	2	1
Wilson, James G.	1	2
Woburn, Officers of the Town of		1
Woodford, Stewart L.		1
Yale College, New Haven, Conn.		2
Yandell, Dr. David W., Louisville, Ky.		1
Young Men's Association of Buffalo	1	
" " Christian Association of New York		1
" " " " " Washington, D.C.		1
" " Mercantile Library Association of Cincin.		1
" " " " and Mechanics' Institute, Pittsburg, Pa.		1
Total	339	199

[APPENDIX IX.]

HONORARY MEMBERS

OF THE

Mercantile Library Association,

MAY 1, 1873.

Hon. Chas. Francis Adams,
William Adams, D.D.,
Benjamin G. Arnold,
William H. Aspinwall,
Isaac H. Bailey,
Hon. Geo. Bancroft, LL.D.,
Hon. Daniel D. Barnard,
F. A. P. Barnard, LL.D., S.T.D.,
Henry W. Bellows, D.D.,
William A. Booth,
Edgar Botsford,
William Cullen Bryant,
Elihu Burritt,
Hon. Benjamin F. Butler,
Hugh N. Camp,
Hon. Joseph R. Chandler,
Horace B. Claflin,
Luther Clark,
Hon. John Cochrane,
Edmund Coffin,
Hon. Schuyler Colfax,
Peter Cooper,
Thomas S. Cummings,
Hon. Charles P. Daly,
Richard H. Dana, Jr.,
Frederick De Peyster,
Orville Dewey, D.D.,
Hon. William E. Dodge,
Prof. R. Ogden Doremus,
John W. Draper, M.D.,
Alexander F. Duncan,
Charles Edwards,
Cornelius L. Everitt,
Hon. Reuben E. Fenton,
Benj. H. Field,
Isaac Ferris, LL.D.,
Hon. Hamilton Fish,
William H. Furness, D.D.,
Parke Godwin,
John H. Gourlie,
S. Hastings Grant,
Gen. Ulysses S. Grant,
Wm. H. Guion,
Hon. A. Oakey Hall,
William Harris, D.D.,
Joseph Henry, LL.D.,
Roswell D. Hitchcock, D.D.,
David Hoadley,
Richard M. Hoe,
Charles Fenno Hoffman,
Hon. John T. Hoffman,
John Hone, Jr.,
Frederick Hudson,
Wilson G. Hunt,
John R. Hurd,
Ephraim H. Jenny,
John D. Jones,
Louis Kossuth,
Richard Lathers,
James Lenox,
Rev. Harmon Loomis, D.D.,
Allan McLane,
Benjamin F. Manierre,
Manton Marble,
Samuel Marsh,
Hon. F. E. Mather,

HONORARY MEMBERS—CONTINUED.

Nathaniel F. Moore, LL.D.,
Edmund Morewood,
Hon. E. D. Morgan,
D. Colden Murray,
John K. Myers,
Isaac Green Pearson,
S. H. Pennington, M.D.,
President (ex-officio) of the Boston Mercantile Library.
President (ex-officio) of the Mercantile Library Association, Portland, Me.
George L. Prentiss, D.D.,
William C. Prime,
Rossiter W. Raymond,
Marshall O. Roberts,
Hon. Horatio Seymour,
Jackson S. Schultz,
Benjamin D. Silliman,
Gardiner Spring, D.D.,
Jonathan D. Steele,
Hon. Thomas E. Stewart,
Alexander T. Stewart,
F. W. Steinbrenner,
Henry A. Stone,
Francis Thompson,
Silas Totten, D.D.,
Richard I. Tucker,
G. B. Vroom,
Horace Webster,
Samuel Willets.

[Benj. H. Field and William H. Guion were elected during the past year.]

HONORARY MEMBERS WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE PAST YEAR:

Hon. J. Romeyn Broadhead,
Hon. James Brooks,
Thomas Hall Faile,
Hon. Horace Greeley,
Francis Lieber, LL.D.,
John Torrey, LL.D.

(APPENDIX X.)

Officers and Members of the Board of Direction

AND

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR 1873–74.

President,

PETER VOORHIS.

Vice-President,

CHARLES H. WILSON.

Corresponding Secretary,

CHARLES S. ARTHUR.

Recording Secretary,

SAMUEL PUTNAM.

Treasurer,

WILLIAM H. GUION, Jr.

Class, for One Year,

JAMES BRUCE, Jr.,
WILLIAM H. GUION, Jr.,
A. H. TIMPSON,
WM. CURTIS NOYES.

Class, for Two Years,

PETER VOORHIS,
CHARLES H. WILSON,
CHARLES F. ALLEN,
SAMUEL PUTNAM.

Class, for Three Years.

ALEX. M. EAGLESON,
CHARLES S. ARTHUR,
EDWIN C. TAYLOR
A. L. BELL.

Librarian,

G. J. SCHERMERHORN.

Assistant Librarian,

GEORGE COOPE.

Counsel to the Association,

HON. HENRY E. DAVIES.

(APPENDIX XI.)

TRUSTEES
OF THE
Permanent Catalogue Fund.

PETER VOORHIS,

President Mercantile Library Association, ex-officio.

CHARLES S. ARTHUR,

Cor. Sec. Mercantile Library Association, ex-officio.

WILSON G. HUNT,

President of the Clinton Hall Association, ex-officio.

DANIEL F. APPLETON,

WILLARD L. FELT,

From the Members at Large.

TRUSTEES
OF THE
Clinton Hall Association.

WILSON G. HUNT,
WILLIAM E. DODGE,
JOHN K. MYERS.

EDMUND COFFIN,
ISAAC H. BAILEY,
HUGH N. CAMP,

M. C. D. BORDEN.

WILSON G. HUNT,
President.

HUGH N. CAMP,
Secretary.

EDMUND COFFIN,
Treasurer.